

IN THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) An apparatus for controlling display of an electrical program guide, comprising:

 broadcast program information storage means for storing, as broadcast information, the information relative to a number of broadcast programs extracted from predetermined positions of video signals;

 recorded program information storage means for storing recorded program information for display so as to be viewable by a user which includes (i) recording medium identification information and (ii) recording start and end position information of a number of programs stored in a number of recording mediums so as to provide for each recorded program information pertaining to the respective recording medium on which the respective program is recorded and the respective start position and end position thereof on the respective recording medium ~~which is entirely viewable by the user in a predetermined portion of a single image wherein the predetermined portion occupies less than the entire single image so as to enable other information to be displayed therein~~; and

 display control means capable of displaying, as an electrical program guide to provide the program-related information, the program information relative to the broadcast programs and the recorded programs on the basis of the broadcast program information stored in said broadcast program information storage means and also the recorded program information stored in said recorded program information storage means whereby both broadcast program information and recorded program information are processable by a single electrical program guide function so as to enable a user to select for more than one program the broadcast

information and recorded program information associated therewith by activating the desired single electrical program guide function, said display control means further capable of displaying a command area to display items for selecting a manipulation command,
wherein the information pertaining to the respective recording medium on which the respective program is recorded and the respective start position and end position thereof on the respective recording medium and the command area are all displayable on a single image so as to be viewable by the user.

2. (Currently Amended) The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said display control means is capable of displaying, as an electrical program guide, at least a program information area in the form of a window to display the program information, a said command area in the form of a window to display items for selecting a respective manipulation command relative to said program guide, and an input area in the form of a window to display items for inputting a required parameter corresponding to the selected manipulation command.

Claim 3 (Canceled)

4. (Currently Amended) A method of controlling display of an electrical program guide comprising the steps of:

storing, as broadcast program information, the information relative to a number of broadcast programs extracted from predetermined positions of video signals;
storing recorded program information for display so as to be viewable by a user which includes (i) recording medium identification information and (ii) recording start and end

position information of a number of programs stored in a number of recording mediums so as to provide for each recorded program information pertaining to the respective recording medium on which the respective program is recorded and the respective start position and end position thereof on the respective recording medium ~~which is entirely viewable by the user in a predetermined portion of a single image wherein the predetermined portion occupies less than the entire single image so as to enable other information to be displayed therein~~; and

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displaying, as an electrical program guide to provide the program-related information, the program information relative to the broadcast programs and the recorded programs on the basis of the stored broadcast program information and also the stored recorded program information whereby both broadcast program information and recorded program information are processable by a single electrical program guide function so as to enable a user to select for more than one program the broadcast information and recorded program information associated therewith by activating the desired single electrical program guide function, and further displaying a command area to display items for selecting a manipulation command,

wherein the information pertaining to the respective recording medium on which the respective program is recorded and the respective start position and end position thereof on the respective recording medium and the command area are all displayable on a single image so as to be viewable by the user.

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--5. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 4, further comprising the step of capable of displaying simultaneously, as an electrical program guide, at least a program information area in the form of a window to display the program information, a said command area in the form of a window to display items for selecting a respective manipulation

command relative to said program guide, and an input area in the form of a window to display items for inputting a required parameter corresponding to the selected manipulation command.--

--6. (Original) The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said recorded program information stored in said recorded program information storage means includes the recording start positions of the broadcast programs in said recording media.--

--7. (Original) The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said display control means displays the program information relative to both of the broadcast programs and the recorded programs, in a manner to superimpose such information on a normal picture.--

--8. (Original) The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said display control means displays the program information relative to both of the broadcast programs and the recorded programs, in a manner to superimpose such information on a fixed picture.--

--9. (Original) The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said display control means has a mode to display the program information relative to the broadcast programs on the basis of the broadcast program information stored in said broadcast program storage means; and a mode to display the program information relative to the recorded programs on the basis of the recorded program information stored in said recorded program information storage means.

--10. (Original) The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said display control means has a mode to display the program information relative to the entire broadcast

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programs being broadcast currently or scheduled to be broadcast, on the basis of the broadcast program storage means; a mode to display the program information relative to the specified broadcast program out of the entire programs being broadcast currently or scheduled to be broadcast, on the basis of the broadcast program information stored in said broadcast program storage means; a mode to display the broadcast information relative to the entire recorded programs on the basis of the recorded program information storage means; and a mode to display the program information relative to the recorded programs in the recording medium specified by a predetermined manipulation, on the basis of the recorded program information stored in said recorded program information storage means. *4*

Claim 11. (canceled)

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12. (Original) The apparatus according to claim 9, wherein said display control means displays the mode, which is currently set, in a portion of said program information area. *5*

Claims 13-15 (canceled)

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16. (Original) The apparatus according to claim 2, wherein said display means has a plurality of modes with regard to display of the command area, and displays command icons corresponding to each selected mode. *6*
